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Administrative Service

Via E-mail to BlakelyJ1@michigan.gov

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Ms. Jimelle Blakely, Manager
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RE: Notice of Facility Closing under the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act (WARN)

Dear Ms. Blakely:

As you may be aware, Muskegon Family Care is a community health center located at 2201 S. Getty Street in Muskegon Heights, Michigan. For more than 30 years, the Agency has provided a full range of medical and behavioral health care services to low income individuals, as well as numerous other community health programs.

Late last year, unexpected budgetary issues developed and since that time, the Agency has been working diligently to address them. This included making changes in senior leadership and a small layoff of employees in December 2019. In addition, the Agency has been working very hard to obtain advance funding from both the State of Michigan and the Federal government. Unfortunately, we were notified on February 13, 2020 that such funding would not be provided. This has led us to make the difficult decision to close Muskegon Family Care. The entire Agency will permanently close on April 1, 2020 and the employment of 200 employees will be terminated starting on February 14 and continuing until April 1, 2020.

We apologize for not providing you and the affected employees with additional advance notice, but we believed that giving earlier notice would have adversely impacted our ability to serve the community and would have precluded us from obtaining the advance funding we were seeking.

No employees are represented by a labor organization and they have no bumping rights.

Muskegon Family Care regrets that this action is necessary. The Agency is taking steps to ensure an orderly wind-down of its operations, and is working with the State of Michigan and other employers to address and mitigate the effects of this decision on affected employees. We are also working to accomplish this process with the least possible disruption to the lives of our patients and the community.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (231) 733-4800.

Respectfully,

Mitze Alexander Interim Chief Executive Officer